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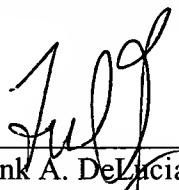
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Ornan Gerstel, et al., "Optical Layer Survivability - An Implementation Perspective", IEEE Journal On Selected Areas In Communications, Vol. 18, No. 10, pp.1885-1899, Oct. 2000

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